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In re PATENT APPLICATION of: JUHA A. RASANEN
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Title: IMPLEMENTATION OF MULTIPLE SIMULTANEOUS CALLS IN A MOBILE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 5, 2006, please reconsider the patentability of the rejected claims based on the following arguments. Claims 10, 27, 30 and 38-44 are pending.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

The Office Action has maintained the rejection of claims 10, 27, 30, 38 and 39 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Dail et al. (U.S. 5,570,355; hereafter "Dail") and rejected claims 40-44 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Dail in view of Varanasi (U.S. 6,219,341). Applicant traverses the rejections because Dail, analyzed individually or in combination with Varanasi, fails to disclose, teach or suggest all the features recited in the claimed invention. For example, the cited prior art fails to disclose, teach or suggest the operation or structure for assignment of one common traffic channel to two or more simultaneous mobile communication network calls of a mobile station or the sharing of capacity of the common traffic channel between the simultaneous calls or the claimed operations and structure for favouring transparent calls or connections over non-transparent calls or connections in allocation of the capacity on the common traffic channel, when the mobile communication network is temporarily unable to allocate more transmission capacity or the requested amount of transmission capacity to the common traffic channel.